House of Representatives



General Assembly

File No. 44

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House Bill No. 5375

House of Representatives, March 26, 2018

The Committee on Housing reported through REP. BUTLER of the 72nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CREATING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY HOUSING OPTIONS FOR PERSONS REENTERING THE COMMUNITY AFTER INCARCERATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) Not later than July 1, 2018, the
- 2 Commission on Equity and Opportunity shall convene a working
- 3 group to (1) study housing options for persons reentering the
- 4 community after incarceration, and (2) recommend an evidence-based
- 5 housing policy for such persons. The working group shall consist of
- 6 employees of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity, the
- 7 Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee, the
- 8 Commissioner of Correction, or the commissioner's designee, and
- 9 community stakeholders.
- 10 (b) Not later than January 1, 2019, the Commission on Equity and
- 11 Opportunity shall submit a report of the recommendations of the
- 12 working group as set forth in subsection (a) of this section, in
- 13 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,

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14 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having

15 cognizance of matters relating to housing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 from passage New section

HSG Joint Favorable

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Commission on Equity and Opportunity to convene a working group to (1) study housing options for persons reentering the community after incarceration, and (2) recommend an evidence-based housing policy for such persons. The group shall submit its findings and recommendations to the housing committee by January 1, 2019.

This bill has no fiscal impact as PA 17-236 prohibits transportation allowances for task force members.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Housing Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 12 Nay 0 (03/14/2018)